



## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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| Art Unit: 1615       | Title: <b>CHEWABLE SOFT CAPSULE HAVING IMPROVED<br/>INGESTION PROPERTY AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING SAME</b> |                         |

To the Commissioner for Patents:

Transmitted herewith is an *Amendment* in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED                   |   |       |                                       |                                |         |                 |
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|                                     | Claims<br>remaining after<br>amendment  |       | Highest Number<br>Previously Paid For | No. of Extra<br>Claims Present | Rate    | Additional Rate |
| Total Claims                        | 31  | Minus | 40                                    | 0                              | X \$50  | \$0.00          |
| Indep. Claims                       | 1   | Minus | 3                                     | 0                              | X \$200 | \$0.00          |
| TOTAL                               |   |       |                                       |                                | =       | \$0.00          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No additional fee is believed due, however, if this is not the case, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any and all fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.   |       |                                       |                                |         |                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Payment for the filing of this Amendment and any appropriate extension of time fees are authorized to be charged to a Credit Card. The appropriate form PTO-2038 is enclosed for this purpose. If the Credit Card is unable to be charged, please charge any and all fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0308. |       |                                       |                                |         |                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Applicant(s) hereby petition the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and request a month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action.   |       |                                       |                                |         |                 |

Respectfully submitted,

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PATENT

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Dear Madam:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed April 11, 2005, in the above-referenced patent application, Applicant(s) respectfully request reconsideration of the application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.